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SUBJ: ENGLISH TEACHERS SEMINAR AND BICENTENNIAL LECTURE
SERIES

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1. AUDIENCE WILL BE ONLY ENGLISH TEACHERS FROM THROUGHOUT
SENEGAL WHO TEACH UPPER-LEVEL STUDENTS LYCEE, EQUIVALENT HIGH
SCHOOL SENIOR YEAR AND FRESHMEN COLLEGE. TEACHERS ARE
UNIVERSITY GRADUATES WITH TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND QUITE
FLUENT IN ENGLISH. FEW HAVE VISITED ENGLAND OR U.S.
THEY HAVE TEXTBOOK KNOWLEDGE OF U.S. AND DEPEND ON EUROPEAN
PUBLICATIONS AND FILMS FOR INSIGHT INTO CONTEMPORARY AMERICA.

2. (A) DR. SYDNEY'S LECTURE ON "THE FIRST AMENDMENT:
FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN AMERICAN LIFE," APPEARS TO BE IDEAL
FOR SEMINAR.

(B) WOULD LIKE HIM DEVELOP LECTURE AROUND ROLE OF MEDIA IN
AMERICAN SOCIETY BEYOND MERE REPORTING. EXAMPLE, POLITICAL
AND SOCIAL JUSTICE ROLE AS WELL AS INVESTIGATIVE. MIGHT
INCLUDE EXPLANATION WHY PRESS REFERRED TO AS "FOURTH ESTATE."

3. DR. BJORNSON'S TWO LECTURES, "SELF RELIANT MAN IN
AMERICAN LITERATURE," AND "ASPECTS OF CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN
LITERATURE," FIT NICELY INTO SEMINAR. IF DR. BJORNSON
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DESIRES DEVELOP LECTURE ON AMERICAN MINORITY LITERATURE

COMPARISON WITH THIRD WORLD LITERATURE, IT CAN BE USED AS A
STANDBY LECTURE. POST EXPECTS HEAR FROM OTHER LECTURE SOURCES
WHICH MAY OFFER TOPICS SIMILAR TO DR. BJORNSEN'S.

4. ALL LECTURES SHOULD BE NO MORE THAN ONE-HOUR FIFTEEN MINUTES
PLUS TIME FOR QUESTIONS.

5. CU/AF'S SUPPORT FOR POST'S IMPORTANT CULTURAL- BICENTENNIAL
PROJECT GREATLY APPRECIATED. HOPE SOME LECTURER RECOMMENDATIONS
MAY BE FORTHCOMING ON POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS, ELECTIONS AND
HISTORY.
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